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[PASSED BY THE INDIAN LEGISLATURE.]

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 19th February, 1931.)

An Act to supplement the Criminal Procedure (Punjab Amendment) Act, 1930.

Punj. Act IV of 1930. WHEREAS it is expedient to supplement the Criminal Procedure (Punjab Amendment) Act, 1930; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

- 1. This Act may be called the Punjab Criminal Procedure Short title. Amendment (Supplementary) Act, 1931.
 - 2. In this Act,-

Definitions.

V of 1898.

- (a) "Code" means the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898; and
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- 3. (1) Any person convicted on a trial held by Commis-Appeals and sioners under the local Act may appeal to the High Court of Judicature at Lahore, and such appeal shall be disposed of by the High Court in the manner provided in Chapter XXXI of the Code.
- (2) When the Commissioners pass a sentence of death, the record of the proceedings before them shall be submitted to the High Court and the sentence shall not be executed unless it is confirmed by the High Court which shall exercise, in respect of such proceedings, all the powers conferred on the High Court by Chapter XXVII of the Code.

ACT No. II of 1931.

[Passed by the Indian Legislature.]

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 28th February, 1931.)

An Act to provide for the modification of certain import duties relating to the fostering and development of the steel industry in British India.

WHEREAS it is expedient to remove the existing inequality of tariff treatment as between manufacturers in British India and manufacturers abroad of certain articles made of iron or steel:

AND WHEREAS it is expedient, in pursuance of the policy of discriminating protection of industries in British India with due regard to the well-being of the community, further to provide for the fostering and development of the steel industry by increasing the import duty leviable on certain railway materials made of iron or steel;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. This Act may be called the Steel Industry (Protection) short tible. Act, 1931.

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2. In the Second Schedule to the Indian Tariff Act, 1894, Amendment of Second Schedule to Act VIII of to this Act.

THE SCHEDULE.

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- 1. In Item No. 61,—
- (a) in the third sub-item, the word "rivets" shall be omitted; and
 - (b) im

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- (b) in the fifth sub-item, the brackets, words and figures "(see Nos. 63 and 150)" and the words "and fastenings therefor other than tie-bars" shall be omitted.
- 2. In Item No. 63, the words "fish bolts and nuts," and the words "switches, crossings and the like materials made of alloy steel" shall be omitted.
- 3. For Item No. 145, the following items shall be substituted, namely:—
 - - 4. In Item No. 150,—
 - (a) in sub-item B, for the words "Switches and crossings and the like materials not made of alloy steel, including switches and crossings and the like materials", the words "Switches and crossings including stretcher bars and other component parts, and switches and crossings including stretcher bars and other component parts" shall be substituted;
 - (b) in sub-item C, the words "and keys and distance pieces and the like for use with such sleepers" shall be omitted:
 - (c) in sub-item D, after the word "Spikes" the words and brackets "(other than dogspikes)" shall be inserted; and
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ACT No. III of 1931.

[Passed by the Indian Legislature.]

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 28th February, 1931.)

An Act to provide for the fostering and development of the gold thread industry in British India.

W HEREAS it is expedient, in pursuance of the policy of discriminating protection of industries in British India with due regard to the well-being of the community, to provide for the fostering and development of the gold thread industry by increasing, for a period of ten years, the import duty leviable on certain articles; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

- 1. This Act may be called the Gold Thread Industry short title. (Protection) Act, 1931.
- 2. (1) In Item No. 43BBB of the Second Schedule to the Amendment of Item 43BBB of Indian Tariff Act, 1894 (hereinafter referred to as the said Schedule II, Act VIII of Schedule), the words and brackets "silver thread and wire 1894. (including so-called gold thread and wire mainly made of silver), silver leaf" shall be omitted.
- (2) Sub-section (1) shall have effect only up to the 31st day of March, 1931, and thereafter, Item No. 43BBB, as hereby amended, shall, in pursuance of sub-section (3) of section 1 of the Indian Finance Act, 1930, be omitted from the said Schedule.
- 3. In Item No. 131 of the said Schedule, the words "gold Amendment of Item 131 of thread and wire" shall be omitted.

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[PASSED BY THE INDIAN LEGISLATURE.]

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 3rd March, 1931.)

An Act further to amend the Indian Territorial Force Act, 1920, for a certain purpose.

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WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Indian Territorial Force Act, 1920, for the purpose hereinafter appearing; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

- 1. This Act may be called the Indian Territorial Force short title. (Amendment) Act, 1931.
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- 2. In clause (d) of sub-section (2) of section 13 of the Indian Amendment of Section 13. Territorial Force Act, 1920, for the words "the preliminary Act XLVIII of and periodical training to be undergone by "the words "preliminary and periodical military training, compulsory and voluntary, for "shall be substituted.

ACT No. VI of 1931.

[PASSED BY THE INDIAN LEGISLATURE.]

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 3rd March, 1931.)

An Act further to amend the Auxiliary Force Act, 1920, for a certain purpose.

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Auxiliary
Force Act, 1920, for the purpose hereinafter appearing; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

- 1. This Act may be called the Auxiliary Force (Amend-short title. ment) Act, 1931.
- 2. In clause (f) of sub-section (2) of section 30 of the Amendment of Section 30, Act XLIX of 1920. Auxiliary Force Act, 1920, for the words "persons liable to XLIX of 1920. perform military service under this Act" the words "enrolled persons" shall be substituted.

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ACT No. VII of 1931.

[Passed by the Indian Legislature.]

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 3rd March, 1931.)

An Act further to amend the Cantonments Act, 1924, for certain purposes.

II of 1924.

HEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Cantonments Act, 1924, for the purposes hereinafter appearing; It is hereby enacted as follows:-

- 1. This Act may be called the Cantonments (Amendment) short utile. Act, 1931.
- 2. To sub-section (1) of section 39 of the Cantonments Act, Amendment 1924 (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the following Act II of 1924. II of 1924. proviso shall be added, namely:-
 - " Provided that, where the Board does not include any elected member, the quorum shall be four."
 - 3. In sub-section (I) of section 52 of the said Act, the amendment words "on a recommendation made to him in this behalf by of section 52, at II of 1924. the Officer Commanding the District or where the Officer Commanding the District is himself the Officer Commanding-in-Chief, the Command, for the purposes of this Act, of his own motion " shall be omitted.
 - 4. In section 75 of the said Act, after the word "appli- Amendment of section 75, Act II of 1924. cation " the words " in writing " shall be inserted.
 - 5. In section 77A of the said Act,—

Amendment

- (a) the word and figures "section 75" shall be omitted; Act II of 1924. and
- (b) for the words "circumstances in which it is claimed" the following shall be substituted, namely:—
 - " fact that the building, land or tenement has become vacant and unproductive of rent ".
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Cantonments (Amendment). [ACT VII of 1931.]

Amendment of section 99A, Act II of 1924.

6. In section 99A of the said Act, the words "belonging to the Secretary of State for India in Council" shall be omitted.

Amendment of section 236, Act II of 1924. 7. In sub-section (2) of section 236 of the said Act, after the word "sub-inspector" the words "or a sergeant" shall be inserted and after the words "Officer Commanding the Station" where they occur the second time, the words "with the concurrence of the District Magistrate" shall be added.

Insertion of new section 286A in Act II of 1924.

8. After section 286 of the said Act the following section shall be inserted, namely:—

Power to delogate functions of Executive Officer. "286A. The Cantonment Authority may empower any of its members or officers to exercise or perform in the absence of the Executive Officer from the Cantonment all or any of such powers or duties of an Executive Officer under this Act as the Governor General in Council may, by notification in the Gazette of India, specify in this behalf."

ACT No. VIII of 1931.

[Passed by the Indian Legislature.]

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 3rd March, 1931.)

An Act to give effect in British India to the Treaty for the Limitation and Reduction of Naval Armament.

WHEREAS it is expedient to give effect in British India to the Treaty for the Limitation and Reduction of Naval Armament signed at London on behalf of His Majesty on the twenty-second day of April, 1930; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

- 1. This Act may be called the Indian Naval Armament short title. (Amendment) Act, 1931.
- 2. In the preamble to the Indian Naval Armament Act, Amendment of 1923 (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), after the figures vii of 1923.

 "1922", the following shall be inserted, namely:—
 - "and to the Treaty for the Limitation and Reduction of Naval Armament signed at London on behalf of His Majesty on the twenty-second day of April, 1930".
- 3. In clause (c) of section 2 of the said Act, after the Amendment of figures "1922", the following shall be inserted, namely:— VII of 1923.
 - " and of the Treaty for the Limitation and Reduction of Naval Armament signed at London on behalf of His Majesty on the twenty-second day of April, 1930".
- 4. To the Schedule to the said Act the following shall be Amendment of Schedule, Act added, namely:—

"ARTICLES OF TREATY FOR THE LIMITATION AND REDUCTION OF NAVAL ARMAMENT.

Article 3.

1. For the purposes of the Washington Treaty, the definition of an aircraft carrier given in Chapter II, Part 4 of the said Treaty is hereby replaced by the following definition:

The expression "aircraft carrier" includes any surface vessel of war, whatever its displacement, designed for the

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VII of 1923.

the specific and exclusive purpose of carrying aircraft and so constructed that aircraft can be launched therefrom and landed thereon.

2. The fitting of a landing-on or flying-off platform or deck on a capital ship, cruiser or destroyer, provided such vessel was not designed or adapted exclusively as an aircraft carrier, shall not cause any vessel so fitted to be charged against or classified in the category of aircraft carriers.

Article 4.

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2. As from the coming into force of the present Treaty in respect of all the High Contracting Parties, no aircraft carrier of 10,000 tons (10,160 metric tons) or less standard displacement, mounting a gun above 6.1 inch (155 mm.) calibre shall be constructed within the jurisdiction of any of the High Contracting Parties.

Article 5.

An aircraft carrier must not be designed and constructed for carrying a more powerful armament than that authorised by Article IX or Article X of the Washington Treaty, or by Article 4 of the present Treaty, as the case may be.

Wherever in the said Articles IX and X the calibre of 6 inches (152 mm.) is mentioned, the calibre of 6·1 inches (155 mm.) is substituted therefor.

Article 6.

- 1. The rules for determining standard displacement prescribed in Chapter II, Part 4 of the Washington Treaty shall apply to all surface vessels of war of each of the High Contracting Parties.
- 2. The standard displacement of a submarine is the surface displacement of the vessel complete (exclusive of the water in non-watertight structure) fully manned, engined, and equipped ready for sea, including all armament and ammunition, equipment, outfit, provisions for crew, miscellaneous stores, and implements of every description that are intended to be carried in war, but without fuel, lubricating oil, fresh water or ballast water of any kind on board.

3. Each

of 1931.] Indian Naval Armament (Amendment).

3. Each naval combatant vessel shall be rated at its displacement tonnage when in the standard condition. The word "ton", except in the expression "metric tons", shall be understood to be the ton of 2,240 pounds (1,016 kilos.).

Article 7.

- 1. No submarine the standard displacement of which exceeds 2,000 tons (2,032 metric tons) or with a gun above 5·1 inch (130 mm.) calibre shall be acquired by or constructed by or for any of the High Contracting Parties.
- 2. Each of the High Contracting Parties may, however, retain, build or acquire a maximum number of three submarines of a standard displacement not exceeding 2,800 tons (2,845 metric tons); these submarines may carry guns not above 6·1 inch (155 mm.) calibre. Within this number, France may retain one unit, already launched, of 2,880 tons (2,926 metric tons), with guns the calibre of which is 8 inches (203 mm.).
- 4. As from the coming into force of the present Treaty in respect of all the High Contracting Parties, no submarine the standard displacement of which exceeds 2,000 tons (2,032 metric tons) or with a gun above 5·1 inch (130 mm.) calibre shall be constructed within the jurisdiction of any of the High Contracting Parties, except as provided in paragraph 2 of this Article."



ACT No. IX of 1931.

[Passed by the Indian Legislature.]

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 17th March, 1931.)

An Act further to amend the Indian Merchant Shipping Act, 1923, for certain purposes.

XXI of 1923.

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Indian Merchant Shipping Act, 1923, for the purposes hereinafter appearing; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

- 1. This Act may be called the Indian Merchant Shipping Short title. (Amendment) Act, 1931.
- 2. After clause (a) of sub-section (2) of section 5 of the Amendment Indian Merchant Shipping Act, 1923 (hereinafter referred to Act XXI of XXI of 1923. as the said Act), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:-
 - " (aa) The provisions relating to the employment of young persons shall apply to ships registered in British India and to foreign ships in the manner prescribed in the said provisions."
 - 3. In sub-section (1) of section 23 of the said Act,—

Amendment of section 23, Act

- (a) the words "Subject to the provisions of the Appren-XXI of 1928. tices Act, 1850," shall be omitted;
- (b) after the word "boy" the words "not under fourteen years of age" shall be inserted; and
- (c) for the words "said Act shall, save as hereinafter provided in this section " the words " Apprentices Act, 1850, shall, subject to the provisions of this Act " shall be substituted.
- 4. After section 37 of the said Act, the following heading insertion of new and sections shall be inserted, namely:—

" Employment of Young Persons.

37A. For the purposes of the following provisions—

(i) "coasting-ship" means a ship exclusively employed "young lasear" and in trading between any ports or places on the "young continent

Definitions of "coasting-ship",

sections 37A, 37B, 37C, 37D, 37E, 37F, 37G, 37H, 37I and

- continent of India, or between Aden and Perima or between ports or places on the continent of India and ports or places in the island of Ceylon;
- (ii) "young lascar" means a lascar or other native seaman under eighteen years of age; and
- (iii) "young person" means a person under eighteenyears of age, and includes a young lascar.

Employmen of children.

- 37B. No young person under fourteen years of age shall be engaged or carried to sea to work in any capacity in any ship registered in British India and no young lascar under fourteen years of age shall be engaged or carried to sea to work in any capacity in any foreign ship, except—
 - (a) in a school-ship, or training-ship, in accordance with the prescribed conditions; or
 - (b) in a ship in which all persons employed are members of one family; or
 - (c) in a home-trade ship of a burden not exceeding three hundred tons; or
 - (d) where such young person is to be employed on nominal wages and will be in the charge of his father or other adult near male relative.

Engagement of young persons as trimmers or stokers.

- 37C. (1) Subject to the provisions of sub-sections (2) and (3), no young person shall be engaged or carried to sea to work as a trimmer or stoker in any ship registered in British India, and no young lascar shall be engaged or carried to sea to work as a trimmer or stoker in any foreign ship.
 - (2) Sub-section (1) shall not apply—
 - (a) to any work of trimming or stoking done by a young person in a school-ship or training-ship in accordance with the prescribed conditions; or
 - (b) to any work of trimming or stoking done by a young person in a ship which is mainly propelled otherwise than by steam; or
 - (c) to the engagement or carrying to sea of a young person over sixteen years of age to work as a trimmer or stoker on a coasting ship, provided he is employed in accordance with the prescribed conditions.

- (3) Where in any port a trimmer or stoker is required for any ship mentioned in sub-section (1), other than a coastingship, and no person over eighteen years of age is available, two young persons over sixteen years of age may be engaged and carried to sea to do the work which would otherwise have been done by one person over eighteen years of age.
- (4) There shall be included in every agreement with the crew in ships to which this section applies a short summary of the provisions of this section.
- 37D. (1) Subject to the provisions of sub-section (2), no Medical young person shall be engaged or carried to sea to work in examination of young persons, any capacity in any ship registered in British India, and no voung lascar shall be engaged or carried to sea to work in any capacity in any foreign ship, unless there has been delivered to the master a certificate granted by a prescribed authority that the young person is physically fit to be employed in that capacity.

- (2) Sub-section (1) shall not apply—
 - (a) to the employment of a young person in a ship in which all persons employed are members of one family; or
 - (b) where the shipping-master, on the ground of urgency, has authorised a young person to be engaged and carried to sea, without the certificate required by sub-section (1) being delivered to the master, and the young person is not employed beyond the first port at which the ship in which he is so engaged calls except in accordance with the provisions of sub-section (1).
- (3) A certificate of physical fitness required under this section shall remain in force for one year only from the date on which it is granted.

37E. There shall be included in every agreement with Maintenance the crew of every ship registered in British India and every of list or register of foreign ship, which engages young persons in British India, young persons a list of young persons who are members of the crew, together with particulars of the dates of their birth, and, in the case of any such ship where there is no agreement, the master shall keep a register of young persons with particulars of the dates of their birth and of the dates on which they became or ceased to be members of the crew.

Penalty for contravention 37C and 37D.

37F. If any young person is carried to sea to work in of sections 37B, contravention of section 37B, section 37C or section 37D, the master of the ship shall for each such offence be liable to a fine which may extend to fifty rupees.

Penalty for false representation by parent or guardian.

37G. If any young person is engaged to work in any capacity in a ship in contravention of section 37B, section 37C or section 37D on a false representation by his parent or guardian that the young person is of an age at which such engagement is not in contravention of those sections, such parent or guardian shall be liable to a fine which may extend to fifty rupees.

Penalty for failure to inspection.

37H. If the master of any ship refuses or neglects to proproduce medical duce for inspection any medical certificate delivered to him under section 37D when required so to do by a shippingmaster, he shall for each such offence be liable to a fine which may extend to fifty rupees.

Penalty for failure to keep or produce for inspection a register of young persons.

37I. If the master of a ship where there is no agreement with the crew fails to keep the register of young persons required to be kept by him under section 37E, or refuses or neglects to produce such register for inspection when required so to do by a shipping-master, he shall be liable to a fine which may extend to two hundred rupees.

Power to make rules.

- 37J. (1) The Governor General in Council may make rules prescribing-
 - (a) the conditions of employment of young persons, in any capacity, in school-ships and training-ships, and the authorities by whom and the manner in which the inspection of their work shall be carried
 - (b) the conditions of employment of young persons as trimmers or stokers in coasting-ships:
 - (c) the authorities whose certificates of physical fitness shall be accepted for the purposes of section 37D; and
 - (d) the form of the register of young persons to be maintained in ships where there is no agreement with the crew.
- (2) Rules under clause (b) shall be made after consultation with such organisations in British India as the Governor General in Council may consider to be most representative of the employers of seamen and of seamen."

5. After

of 1931.] Indian Merchant Shipping (Amendment).

5. After section 43 of the said Act, the following section Insertion of new section ll be inserted, namely:—

43 A in Act XXI shall be inserted, namely:-

"43A. (1) The master of every ship, except home-trade certificate as to work of ships of a burden not exceeding three hundred tons, shall sign seaman. and give to a seaman discharged from his ship in British India, either on his discharge or on payment of his wages, a certificate in a form sanctioned by the Governor General in Council stating—

- (a) the quality of the work of the seaman; or
- (b) whether the seaman has fulfilled his obligations under the agreement with the crew.
- (2) If the master acts in contravention of this section, he shall for each offence be liable to a fine which may extend to one hundred rupees."
- 6. After section 58 of the said Act, the following section Insertion of new section 58A in Act XXI of shall be inserted, namely:—

"58A. (1) Where the service of a lascar or native seaman special provision for shipemployed on a ship registered in British India or engaged in wrecked lascars. British India for employment on a foreign ship terminates before the date contemplated in the agreement by reason of the wreck or loss of the ship, the lascar shall, notwithstanding anything contained in section 58, but subject to the provisions of this section, be entitled to receive-

- (a) wages at the rate to which he was entitled at the date of the termination of service, until he is sent home or to a port near his home in accordance with section 75, or until he has been sent home or to a proper port of return in accordance with the Merchant Shipping Acts, or has in any other way reached his port of departure from India or a port near his home, as the case may be; and
- (b) compensation for the loss of his effects up to one month's wages at the said rate.
- (2) A lascar shall not be entitled to receive wages under clause (a) of sub-section (I) in respect of any period during which-
 - (a) he was or could have been suitably employed; or

(b) he negligently failed to apply to the proper authority for relief as a distressed or destitute lascar."

Amendment of section 85, Act XXI of 1928.

- 7. In section 85 of the said Act,—
- (a) for sub-section (1) the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely:—
 - "(1) All British ships and all ships upon which seamen have been shipped in British India shall have on board sufficient provisions and water of good quality and fit for the use of the crew on the scale specified in the agreement with the crew.";
- (b) in sub-section (2), for the words "the officer or person making the examination" the words "any person making an inspection under section 91" shall be substituted;
 - (c) in sub-section (4),—
 - (i) for the words "The officer directing or the person making the examination" the words "The person making the inspection" shall be substituted; and
 - (ii) for the word "examination", where it occurs the second time, the word "inspection" shall be substituted; and
- (d) in sub-section (5), for the words "If the said officer certifies in that statement that there was no reasonable ground for the complaint, each of the complainants" the following shall be substituted, namely:—
 - "If the inspection was made in pursuance of a request by members of the crew and the person making the inspection certifies in the statement of the result of the inspection that there was no reasonable ground for the request, every member of the crew who made the request".

Amendment of section 91, Act XXI of 1923.

Inspection of provisions, water, medicines, and appliances, weights and measures and accommodation.

- 8. For section 91 of the said Act, the following section shall be substituted, namely:—
- "91. A shipping-master, deputy shipping-master, or other officer duly appointed in this behalf by the Governor General in Council, at any port—
 - (a) in the case of any ship upon which seamen have been shipped at that port, may at any time, and

(b) in

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(b) in the case of any British ship, may at any time, and, if the master or three or more of the crew so request, shall,

enter on board the ship and inspect-

- (i) the provisions and water,
- (ii) the medicines and appliances,
- (iii) the weights and measures,
- (iv) the accommodation for seamen,

with which the ship is required to be provided by or under this Act or the Merchant Shipping Acts."

9. Nothing in section 2, section 3 or section 4 shall saving prevent the carrying to sea of a young person in a ship in which he is lawfully engaged to work at the commencement of this Act.

ACT No. X of 1931.

[Passed by the Indian Legislature.]

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 17th March, 1931.)

An Act to make special provision for the administration of the port of Vizagapatam.

HEREAS it is expedient to make special provision for the administration of the port of Vizagapatam; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

- 1. This Act may be called the Vizagapatam Port Act, Short title. 1931.
- 2. The enactments specified in the Schedule shall, in their construction application to the port of Vizagapatam, be construed as if enactments in their references in the said enactments to the Local Government, to application to port of the local official Gazette and to the Fort St. George Gazette Vizagapatam. were references to the Governor General in Council and to the Gazette of India, respectively, and, where anything done in respect of the said port under any of the said enactments is in force immediately before the commencement of this Act, it shall be deemed, as from the commencement of this Act, to have been done under that enactment as so construed.

SCHEDULE.

- (1) Act of the Governor General in Council.—The Indian Ports Act, 1908, with the exception of clause (p) of sub-section (1) of section 6, section 17, section 49 and section 50.
- (2) Madras Act.—The Madras Outports Landing and Shipping Fees Act, 1885.

ACT No. XI of 1931.

[Passed by the Indian Legislature.]

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 17th March, 1931.)

An Act further to amend the Indian Ports Act, 1908, for a certain purpose.

XV cf 1968.

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Indian Ports Act, 1908, for the purpose hereinafter appearing; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

- 1. This Act may be called the Indian Ports (Amendment) Short title. Act, 1931.
- XV of 1908.
- 2. In sub-section (1A) of section 6 of the Indian Ports Amendment of section 6, Act, 1908, for the words "at piers, jetties, landing-places, Act XV of wharves, quays, docks, warehouses and sheds" the words "in any port subject to this Act" shall be substituted.

ACT No. XII of 1931.

[As passed by the Indian Legislature.]

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 5th April, 1931.)

An Act to amend the Indian Reserve Forces Act, 1888, for certain purposes.

IV of 1888.

HEREAS it is expedient to amend the Indian Reserve Forces Act, 1888, for the purposes hereinafter appearing; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

I. This Act may be called the Indian Reserve Forces short-title. (Amendment) Act, 1931.

IV of 1838.

- 2 For section 2 of the Indian Reserve Forces Act, 1888 Substitution (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the following section for section 2, Act IV of 1888. shall be substituted, namely:—
 - "2: The Indian Reserve Forces shall consist of the Regu-Division of Reserve Forces lan Reserve and the Supplementary Reserve."

into Regular and Supplementary Reserves.

- 3. In section 3 of the said Act—

Amendment of section 3, Act IV of 1888.

- (a) in sub-section (1)—
 - (i) the figure and brackets "(I)" shall be omitted,
 - (ii) for the words "Active Reserve", the words "Indian Reserve Forces" shall be substituted; \mathbf{and}
- (b) sub-section (2) shall be omitted.
- 4. In section 5 of the said Act, the words "the provision Amendment of section 3 with respect to persons belonging to the Garrison act IV of isss. Reserve, and to "shall be omitted.
 - 5. In sub-section (1) of section 6 of the said Act—

Amendment of section 6,

- (a) in clause (i), for the words "Indian Articles of Act IV of 1888. War:", the words and figures "Indian Army Act. 1911," shall be substituted, and
- (b) in clause (ii), after the word "by", the words "a Presidency Magistrate or "shall be inserted.
- 6. Section 7 of the said Act is repealed.

Repeal of section 7, Act IV of 1888.

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ACT No. XIII of 1931.

[AS PASSED BY THE INDIAN LEGISLATURE.]

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 5th April, 1931.)

An Act further to amend the Indian Factories Act, 1911, for a certain purpose.

XII of 1911.

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Indian Factories Act, 1911, for the purpose hereinafter appearing; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

- 1. This Act may be called the Indian Factories (Amend-short title, ment) Act, 1931.
- 2. After clause (i) of sub-section (2) of section 37 of the Amendment of section 37, and a section 37, Act XII of sected, namely:—
 - " (ii) precautions against fire:".

Price 1 anna or $1\frac{1}{2}d$.

ACT No. XIV of 1931.*

[As passed by the Indian Legislature.]

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 5th April, 1931.)

An Act to impose a temporary additional duty of customs on foreign salt.

WHEREAS it is expedient in the interests of the Indian salt industry to impose a temporary additional duty of customs on the import of foreign salt and at the same time to make provision for safeguarding the interests of consumers of salt; It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. (1) This Act may be called the Salt (Additional Import short title, Duty) Act, 1931.

extent and duration.

- (2) It extends to the whole of British India.
- (3) It shall have effect only up to the 31st day of March, 1932.
- 2. In this Act a "maund" means a maund of eighty-two Definition of and two-sevenths pounds avoirdupois.
- 3. Save as hereinafter provided, there shall be levied and Additional collected, in addition to any duty of customs imposed by or on salt. under any enactment for the time being in force, an additional duty of customs on salt imported into any port in British India except Aden and Perim, at the rate of four and a half annas per maund.

- 4. If the Governor General in Council is satisfied, after Power to impose further such inquiry as he thinks fit, that salt not manufactured in additional duty. India is being imported into British India at such a price as is likely to render insufficient the benefits intended to be afforded to the Indian salt industry by the additional duty imposed by section 3, he may, by notification in the Gazette of India, increase such duty to such extent, not exceeding one anna per maund, as he thinks fit.
- 5. (1) The additional duty imposed by section 3, and any Exemption of further duty which may be imposed under section 4, shall additional

^{*} This Act came into effect on 17th March, 1931, by virtue of a declaration inserted in the Bill under the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1918 (16 of 1918).

not, save as hereinafter provided, be levied and collected on salt produced in India.

- (2) The Governor General in Council may at any time require any producer of salt in India to enter into an undertaking, within such time as the Governor General in Council may specify, that he will, when so required from time to time by the prescribed authority, sell to the Secretary of State for India in Council fine white salt of the quality usually made by such producer.
- (3) In making a requisition under sub-section (2) the prescribed authority may specify, in such manner as may be reasonable in the circumstances of the case,—
 - (a) the amount of salt to be sold,
 - (b) the port or ports where such salt is to be delivered, and
 - (c) the time within which the salt is to be delivered at the port or ports of delivery.
- (4) The price to be paid for such salt delivered free of charge at the port of delivery shall be sixty-three rupees eleven annas per hundred maunds at the port of Calcutta, and at any other port shall be sixty-three rupees eleven annas per hundred maunds with an addition or deduction, as the case may be, on account of the difference between the freight from the port of shipment to Calcutta and the freight from the port of shipment to the port of delivery.
- (5) If any producer of salt required to enter into an undertaking under sub-section (2) fails to enter into such undertaking within the time specified, or, having entered into such undertaking, fails in the opinion of the Governor General in Council to fulfil it, the Governor General in Council may, by notification in the Gazette of India, direct that all salt produced by such producer shall, on being taken by sea into any port in British India, be chargeable with the additional duty imposed by section 3 and with any further additional duty which may be imposed under section 4.

Power to make rules.

- 6. The Governor General in Council may, by notification in the Gazette of India, make rules—
 - (a) prescribing the form of undertaking to be entered into by producers of salt under section 5;
 - (b) determining the prescribed authorities for the purposes of that section; and
 - (c) generally, to give effect to the provisions of this Act.

ACT No. XV of 1931.*

[As passed by the Indian Legislature.]

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 5th April, 1931.)

An Act to impose a temporary duty of customs on the importation of wheat.

THEREAS it is expedient to assist the sale in India of wheat produced therein by imposing a temporary duty of customs on the importation of wheat; It is hereby enacted as follows:-

- 1. (1) This Act may be called the Wheat (Import Duty) short title, e**xtent and** Act. 1931.
- (2) It extends to the whole of British India, except Aden and Perim.
- (3) It shall have effect only up to the 31st day of March, 1932.
- 2. Notwithstanding anything contained in Part I of Duty of Schedule II to the Indian Tariff Act, 1894, there shall be wheat. levied and collected, save as hereinafter provided, a duty of customs on wheat imported into any port to which this Act applies, at the rate of two rupees per hundredweight.
- 3. (1) The duty of customs imposed by or under this Act Exemption shall not be levied and collected on wheat shipped by the wheat already seller in compliance with a contract of sale made by him under the following circumstances, namely:-

- (a) where the proposal has been made by the seller and its acceptance by the buyer has been put in course of transmission to the seller, before the 1st day of March, 1931; or
- (b) where the proposal has been made by the buyer and has been put in course of transmission to the seller before

VIII of 1894.

^{*} This Act came into effect on 20th March, 1931, by virtue of a declaration inserted in the Bill under the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1918 (16 of 1918).

before the 1st day of March, 1931, and the seller's acceptance has been put in course of transmission to the buyer before the 20th day of March, 1931:

Provided that in all cases documents showing that the contract of sale has been made under these circumstances are deposited with the Customs Collector before the 1st day of May, 1931.

(2) Where in the opinion of the Customs Collector it is doubtful whether any consignment of wheat is exempted from duty under sub-section (I) or not, the Customs Collector shall assess and collect duty thereon as if it were not exempted; and, on proof being furnished to his satisfaction within three months of the collection of the duty that the consignment of wheat is exempted, he shall make a refund of the duty collected.

Duty of customs on wheat flour. 4. Notwithstanding anything contained in Part V of Schedule II to the Indian Tariff Act, 1894, or in section 4 VIII of 1894. of the Indian Finance Act, 1931, the duty of customs to be levied and collected on wheat flour imported into any port to which this Act applies shall be at the rate of two rupees per hundredweight.

Power to remit or reduce the duty.

- 5. (1) If, after such inquiry as he thinks necessary, the Governor General in Council is of opinion that the duty of customs imposed by section 2 has become unnecessary or excessive, he may, by notification in the Gazette of India, remit such duty or reduce it to such extent as he thinks fit.
- (2) If, after such inquiry as he thinks necessary, the Governor General in Council is of opinion that the duty of customs imposed by section 4 is excessive he may, by notification in the Gazette of India,—
 - (a) reduce such duty to such extent as he thinks fit, but not so as to make it lower than an ad valorem duty of twenty per cent., or
 - (b) declare that section 4 shall cease to have effect.

ACT No. XVI of 1931.

[Passed by the Indian Legislature.]

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 28th September, 1931.)

An Act to amend the law providing for the immediate effect for a limited period of provisions in Bills relating to the imposition or increase of duties of customs or excise.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the law providing for the immediate effect for a limited period of provisions in Bills relating to the imposition or increase of duties of customs or excise; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

- 1. This Act may be called the Provisional Collection of short title. Taxes Act, 1931.
- 2. In this Act, a "declared provision" means a provision Definition. in a Bill in respect of which a declaration has been made under section 3.
- 3. Where a Bill to be introduced in the Indian Legislature Power to make on behalf of Government provides for the imposition or increase under this Act. of a duty of customs or excise, the Governor General in Council may cause to be inserted in the Bill a declaration that it is expedient in the public interest that any provision of the Bill relating to such imposition or increase shall have immediate effect under this Act.

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- 4. (1) A declared provision shall have the force of law Effect of declarations immediately on the expiry of the day on which the Bill containing it is introduced.

 Effect of declarations under this Act, and duration thereof.
- · (2) A declared provision shall cease to have the force of law under the provisions of this Act—
 - (a) when it comes into operation as an enactment, with or without amendment, or
 - (b) when the Governor General in Council, in pursuance of a motion passed by either Chamber of the Indian Legislature, directs, by notification in the Gazette of India, that it shall cease to have the force of law, or

(c) if

(c) if it has not already ceased to have the force of law under clause (a) or clause (b), then on the expiry of the sixtieth day after the day on which the Bill containing it was introduced.

Certain refunds to be made when declarations cense to have effect. 5. (1) Where a declared provision comes into operation as an enactment in an amended form before the expiry of the sixtieth day after the day on which the Bill containing it was introduced, refunds shall be made of all duties collected which would not have been collected if the provision adopted in the enactment had been the declared provision:

Provided that the rate at which refunds of any duty may be made under this sub-section shall not exceed the difference between the rate of such duty proposed in the declared provision and the rate of such duty in force when the Bill was introduced.

(2) Where a declared provision ceases to have the force of law under clause (b) or clause (c) of sub-section (2) of section 4, refunds shall be made of all duties collected which would not have been collected if the declaration in respect of it had not been made.

Repeal.

6. The Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1918, is xVI of 1918, repealed.

ACT No. XVII of 1931.

(Passed by the Indian Legislature.)

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 1st October, 1931.)

An Act further to amend the Indian Succession Act, 1925, for a certain purpose.

XXXIX of 1925. WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Indian Succession Act, 1925, for the purpose hereinafter appearing; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

- 1. This Act may be called the Indian Succession (Amend-short title. ment) Act, 1931.
- 2. After the word "mind" in sections 223 and 236 of the Amendment of Indian Succession Act, 1925, the following words shall be and 236, Act XXXIX of 1925.
 - "nor to any association of individuals unless it is a company which satisfies the conditions prescribed by rules to be made by the Governor General in Council in this behalf."

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(Passed by the Indian Legislature.)

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 1st October, 1931.)

An Act to amend the Aligarh Muslim University Act, 1920, for certain purposes.

XL of 1920.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Aligarh Muslim University Act, 1920, for the purposes hereinafter appearing; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

- 1. (1) This Act may be called the Aligarh Muslim Univer-Short title sity (Amendment) Act, 1931.
- (2) It shall come into force on such date as the Governor General in Council may, by notification in the Gazette of India, appoint.

XL of 1920.

- 2. For section 12 of the Aligarh Muslim University Act, Amendment of 1920 (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the following Act XI of Act XI of sections shall be substituted, namely:
- "12. (1) The University shall, subject to the Statutes, Power to have power to establish and maintain high schools, within such establish and maintain high limits in the Aligarh District as may be laid down in the schools and other insti-Ordinances, for the purpose of preparing students for admis-tutions. sion to the University, and may provide for instruction in the Muslim religion and theology therein.

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- (2) The University may also, with the sanction of the Governor General in Council on the recommendation of the Visiting Board, and subject to the Statutes and Ordinances, establish and maintain, within such limits in the Aligarh District as may be laid down in the Ordinances, any other institution whose objects fall within the powers of the University as described in section 5.
- 12A. With the approval of the Academic Council and the Power to sanction of the Governor General in Council on the recom-recognise Intermediate mendation of the Visiting Board, and subject to the Statutes colleges and schools. and Ordinances, the University may admit Intermediate colleges and schools in the Aligarh District to such privileges of the University as it thinks fit."

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Amendment of section 27, Act XL of 1920. 3. In clause (k) of section 27 of the said Act, for the words "Intermediate colleges and schools" the words "high schools and other institutions in accordance with the provisions of section 12" shall be substituted.

Amendment of section 29, Act XL of 1920.

- 4. In section 29 of the said Act,-
 - (a) in clause (a), for the words "laid down for all degrees and diplomas of" the words "pursued in" shall be substituted;
 - (b) in clause (c), for the words "the degree or diploma courses and to the" the words "courses of study and" shall be substituted:
 - (c) for clause (j), the following clauses shall be substituted, namely:—
 - "(j) the management of high schools and other institutions established under section 12;
 - (k) the supervision of Intermediate colleges and schools admitted to privileges of the University under section 12A; and "; and
 - (d) clause (k) shall be relettered as clause (l).

Amendment of section 32, Act XL of 1 920.

- 5. In section 32 of the said Act,-
 - (a) in sub-section (I), the words "the Principal of an Intermediate College who shall be selected by the Vice-Chancellor" shall be omitted;
 - (b) after sub-section (2), the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely:—
 - "(2A) Students shall not be eligible for admission to the Intermediate classes in Arts and Science unless they have passed the Matriculation Examination of an Indian University incorporated by any law for the time being in force, or an examination recognised in accordance with the provisions of this section as equivalent to the Matriculation Examination, and possess such further qualifications as may be prescribed by the Ordinances"; and
 - (c) in sub-section (4),—
 - (i) for the words "for a degree" the words "in the University" shall be substituted; and
 - (ii) after the word "Intermediate" the words "or Matriculation" shall be inserted.

ACT No. XIX of 1931.

(Passed by the Indian Legislature.)

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 1st October, 1931.)

An Act to amend the Land Customs Act, 1924, for a certain purpose.

XIX of 1924.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Land Customs Act, 1924, for the purpose hereinafter appearing; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. This Act may be called the Land Customs (Amendment) Short title. Act, 1931.

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2. Section 7 of the Land Customs Act, 1924, shall be re-Amendment of numbered as sub-section (I) of section 7, and to the said sec-Act XIX of tion so re-numbered the following sub-sections shall be added, namely:—

VIII of 1878.

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- "(2) Where any dutiable goods, or any goods in respect of which a notification under section 19 of the Sea Customs Act, 1878, prohibiting the bringing or taking by land of such goods into British India or any specified part thereof, has been issued, are passed by land out of any foreign territory and the Land Customs Officer is of opinion that an offence under sub-section (1) has been committed in respect of such goods and that the penalty provided in that sub-section is inadequate, he may make a complaint to a magistrate having jurisdiction.
- (3) Such magistrate shall thereupon inquire into and try
 the charge brought against the accused person and,
 upon conviction, may sentence him to imprisonment of either description for a term which may
 extend to six months, or to fine not exceeding one
 thousand rupees, or to both, and may confiscate the
 goods in respect of which the offence has been
 committed."

Price 1 anna or $1\frac{1}{2}d$.

ACT No. XX of 1931.

(Passed by the Indian Legislature.)

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 1st October, 1931.)

An Act to extend the powers of the Sheriff of Calcutta to hold persons in lawful custody.

WHEREAS it is expedient to extend the powers of the Sheriff of Calcutta to hold persons in lawful custody for the purposes hereinafter appearing; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

- 1. This Act may be called the Sheriff of Calcutta (Powers short stle. of Custody) Act, 1931.
- 2. (1) Where the Sheriff of the High Court of Judicature Extension of at Fort William in Bengal in the discharge of his duties is custody of the taking any person in his lawful custody to or from the Presidental Cases. dency Jail, and circumstances are such that he is unable without undue inconvenience to proceed by a route lying wholly within the local limits of the ordinary original civil jurisdiction of the said High Court, it shall be lawful for the Sheriff to proceed by any convenient route lying partly outside the said local limits, and in so doing his custody of such person shall continue to be lawful.
- (2) For the purposes of this section "the Sheriff of the High Court of Judicature at Fort William in Bengal" includes any officer or other person acting with the authority or under the orders of the said Sheriff.
- 3. This Act shall have retrospective effect as if it had Retrospective commenced on the 1st day of September, 1925.

Price I anna or $I_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1}d$.

ACT No. XXI of 1931.

(PASSED BY THE INDIAN LEGISLATURE.)

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 1st October, 1931.)

An Act further to amend the Indian Mines Act, 1923, for a certain purpose.

IV of 1923.

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Indian Mines Act, 1923, for the purpose hereinafter appearing; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. This Act may be called the Indian Mines (Amendment) short title. Act, 1931.

IV of 1923.

- 2. In section 3 of the Indian Mines Act, 1923, after clause Amendment of (c), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:—

 Act IV of 1923.
 - "(cc) 'District Magistrate' means, in a Presidencytown, the person appointed by the Local Government to perform the duties of a District Magistrate under this Act in that town."

Price 1 anna or $1\frac{1}{2}d$.

ACT No. XXII of 1931.

(Passed by the Indian Legislature.)

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 1st October, 1931.)

An Act to provide for the protection of the heavy chemical industry.

WHEREAS it is expedient, in pursuance of the policy of discriminating protection of industries in British India with due regard to the well-being of the community, to provide for the protection of the heavy chemical industry; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

- 1. This Act may be called the Heavy Chemical Industry short title. (Protection) Act, 1931.
- 2. In the Second Schedule to the Indian Tariff Act, Amendment of Schedule II, Act VIII of 1894.
 - (a) Item No. 14A shall be omitted, and
 - (b) in Part VII and before Item No. 142, the following heading and Item shall be inserted, namely:—

"CHEMICALS, DRUGS AND MEDICINES.

141B HEAVY CHEMICALS, the following:—	
(1) Acid, hydrochloric	Rs. 2-9-0 per cwt.
(2) Acid, nitric—	
having a density at 15°C. of not more than 1.42 grammes per cubic centimetre;	Rs. 3-10-0 per cwt.
having a density at 15°C. of more than 1'42 grammes per cubic centimetre.	Rs. 5-3-0 per cwt.
(3) Acid, sulphuric	Rs. 1-4-0 per cwt.
(4) Alum, namely, ammonia alum, potash alum or soda alum.	As. 15 per cwt.
potasn atum or sous atum.	(5) Aluminium

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(5) Aluminium sulphate or hydrated alumınium sulphate, including alumino-ferric and alum cakecontaining not more than 0.01 per As. 13 per cwt. cent. of iron; As. 9 per cwt. containing more than 0.01 per cent. of iron. (6) Copper sulphate or hydrated copper Rs. 3 per cwt. sulphate. (7) Magnesium chloride As. 7 per cwt. (8) Magnesium sulphate or hydrated magnesium sulphatecontaining not more than 50 per Rs. 1-4-0 per cwt. cent. of magnesium sulphate; 50 per Rs. 2-8-0 per cwt. containing more than cent. of magnesium sulphate. (9) Sodium sulphate hydrated or sodium sulphate-As. 6 per cwt. containing not more than 50 per cent. of sodium sulphate; 50 As. 13 per cwt. containing more than per cent. of sodium sulphate. sulphide or hydrated Rs. 1-7-0 per cwt. (10) Sodium sodium sulphide. (11) Zinc chloride or zinc chloride solu-Rs. 4-5-0 per cwt. tion: Provided that the duty on any article included in this item shall in no case be less than the duty which would be charged if the article were included in Part V of this Schedule."

Duration.

3. The amendments made by section 2 shall, in so far as they relate to heavy chemicals other than magnesium chloride, have effect only up to the 31st day of March, 1933, and, in so far as they relate to magnesium chloride, shall have effect only up to the 31st day of March, 1939.

Power to increase duty on magnesium chloride. 4. If the Governor General in Council is satisfied, after such inquiry as he thinks necessary, that magnesium chloride chargeable with duty under Item No. 141B, as above inserted in the Second Schedule to the Indian Tariff Act, 1894, is being vin of 1894. imported into British India at such a price as is likely to render ineffective the protection intended to be afforded by such duty to the manufacture of magnesium chloride in India, he may, by notification in the Gazette of India, increase such duty to such extent as he thinks necessary.

ACT No. XXIII of 1931.

[Passed by the Indian Legislature.]

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 9th October, 1931.)

An Act to provide against the publication of matter inciting to or encouraging murder or violence.

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide against the publication of matter inciting to or encouraging murder or violence; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

- 1. (1) This Act may be called the Indian Press (Emergency Short title, extent and duration.
- (2) It extends to the whole of British India, inclusive of British Baluchistan and the Sonthal Parganas.
- (3) It shall remain in force for one year only, but the Governor General in Council may, by notification in the Gazette of India, direct that it shall remain in force for a further period not exceeding one year.
- 2. In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the Definitions. subject or context,—
 - (1) "book" includes every volume, part or division of a volume, pamphlet and leaflet, in any language, and every sheet of music, map, chart or plan separately printed or lithographed;
 - (2) "document" includes also any painting, drawing or photograph or other visible representation;
 - (3) "High Court" means the highest Civil Court of Appeal for any local area except in the case of the province of Coorg where it means the High Court of Judicature at Madras;
 - (4) "Magistrate" means a District Magistrate or Chief Presidency Magistrate;
 - (5) "newspaper"

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- (5) "newspaper" means any periodical work containing public news or comments on public news;
- (6) "news-sheet" means any document other than a newspaper containing public news or comments on public news or any matter described in sub-section (I) of section 4;
- (7) "press" includes a printing-press and all machines, implements and plant and parts thereof and all materials used for multiplying documents;
- (8) "printing-press" includes all engines, machinery, types, lithographic stones, implements, utensils and other plant or materials used for the purpose of printing;
- (9) "unauthorised newspaper" means-
 - (a) any newspaper in respect of which there are not for the time being valid declarations under section 5 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, xxv of 1867, and
 - (b) any newspaper in respect of which security has been required under this Act, but has not been furnished as required;
- (10) "unauthorised news-sheet" means any news-sheet other than a news-sheet published by a person authorised under section 15 to publish it; and
- (11) "undeclared press" means any press other than a press in respect of which there is for the time being a valid declaration under section 4 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867.

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Deposit of security by keepers of printingpresses. 3. (1) Any person keeping a printing-press who is required to make a declaration under section 4 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, may be required by the Magis- xxv of 1867, trate before whom the declaration is made, for reasons to be recorded in writing, to deposit with the Magistrate within ten days from the day on which the declaration is made, security

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security to such an amount, not being more than one thousand rupees, as the Magistrate may in each case think fit to require, in money or the equivalent thereof in securities of the Government of India as the person making the deposit may choose:

Provided that if a deposit has been required under subsection (3) from any previous keeper of the printing-press, the security which may be required under this sub-section may amount to three thousand rupees.

- (2) Where security required under sub-section (1) has been deposited in respect of any printing-press, and for a period of three months from the date of the declaration mentioned in sub-section (1) no order is made by the Local Government under section 4 in respect of such press, the security shall, on application by the keeper of the press, be refunded.
- (3) Whenever it appears to the Local Government that any printing-press kept in any place in the territories under its administration, in respect of which security under the provisions of this Act has not been required, or having been required has been refunded under sub-section (2), is used for the purpose of printing or publishing any newspaper, book or other document containing any words, signs or visible representations of the nature described in section 4, sub-section (1), the Local Government may, by notice in writing to the keeper of the press stating or describing such words, signs or visible representations, order the keeper to deposit with the Magistrate within whose jurisdiction the press is situated security to such an amount, not being less than five hundred or more than three thousand rupees as the Local Government may think fit to require, in money or the equivalent thereof in securities of the Government of India as the person making the deposit may choose.
- (4) Such notice shall appoint a date, not being sooner than the tenth day after the date of the issue of the notice, on or before which the deposit shall be made.
- 4. (1) Whenever it appears to the Local Government that Power to any printing-press in respect of which any security has been security or ordered to be deposited under section 3 is used for the purpose press forfeited in certain of printing or publishing any newspaper, book or other docu- cases.

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ment containing any words, signs or visible representations which-

- (a) incite to or encourage, or tend to incite to or to encourage, the commission of any offence of murder or any cognizable offence involving violence, or
- (b) directly or indirectly express approval or admiration of any such offence, or of any person, real or fictitious, who has committed or is alleged or represented to have committed any such offence,

the Local Government may, by notice in writing to the keeper of such printing-press, stating or describing the words, signs or visible representations which in its opinion are of the nature described above,—

- (i) where security has been deposited, declare such security, or any portion thereof, to be forfeited to His Majesty, or
- (ii) where security has not been deposited, declare the press to be forfeited to His Majesty,

and may also declare all copies of such newspaper, book or other document wherever found in British India to be forfeited to His Majesty.

Explanation.—No expression of approval or admiration made in a historical or literary work shall be deemed to be of the nature described in this sub-section unless it has the tendency described in clause (a).

(2) After the expiry of ten days from the date of the issue of a notice under sub-section (1) declaring a security, or any portion thereof, to be forfeited, the declaration made in respect of such press under section 4 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, shall be deemed to be annulled.

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Deposit of further security. 5. (1) Where the security given in respect of any press, or any portion thereof, has been declared forfeited under section 4 or section 6, every person making a fresh declaration in respect of such press under section 4 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, shall deposit with the Magistrate be-xxv of 1867, fore whom such declaration is made security to such an amount, not being less than one thousand or more than ten thousand rupees, as the Magistrate may think fit to require, in money

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or the equivalent thereof in securities of the Government of India as the person making the deposit may choose.

- (2) Where a portion only of the security given in respect of such press has been declared forfeited under section 4 or section 6, any unforfeited balance still in deposit shall be taken as part of the amount of security required under subsection (1),
- 6. (1) If, after security has been deposited under section 5, power to the printing-press is again used for the purpose of printing further or publishing any newspaper, book or other document contain- publications ing any words, signs or visible representations which, in the opinion of the Local Government, are of the nature described in section 4, sub-section (1), the Local Government may, by notice in writing to the keeper of such printing-press, stating or describing such words, signs or visible representations, declare-

- (a) the further security so deposited, or any portion thereof, and
- (b) all copies of such newspaper, book or other document wherever found in British India

to be forfeited to His Majesty.

(2) After the expiry of ten days from the issue of a notice under sub-section (1), the declaration made in respect of such press under section 4 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, shall be deemed to be annulled.

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7. (1) Any publisher of a newspaper who is required to Deposit of make a declaration under section 5 of the Press and Registra. publisher of newspaper. tion of Books Act, 1867, may be required by the Magistrate before whom the declaration is made, for reasons to be recorded in writing, to deposit with the Magistrate within ten days from the day on which the declaration is made, security to such an amount, not being more than one thousand rupees, as the Magistrate may in each case think fit to require, in money or the equivalent thereof in securities of the Government of India as the person making the deposit may choose:

Provided that if a deposit has been required under subsection (3) from any previous publisher of the newspaper, the security which may be required under this sub-section may amount to three thousand rupees.

(2) Where

- (2) Where security required under sub-section (1) has been deposited in respect of any newspaper, and for a period of three months from the date of the declaration mentioned in sub-section (1) no order is made by the Local Government under section 8 in respect of such newspaper, the security shall, on application by the publisher of the newspaper, be refunded.
- (3) Whenever it appears to the Local Government that a newspaper published within its territories, in respect of which security under the provisions of this Act has not been required. or having been required has been refunded under sub-section (2), contains any words, signs or visible representations of the nature described in section 4, sub-section (1), the Local Government may, by notice in writing to the publisher of such newspaper, stating or describing such words, signs or visible representations, require the publisher to deposit with the Magistrate within whose jurisdiction the newspaper is published, security to such an amount, not being less than five hundred or more than three thousand rupees, as the Local Government may think fit to require, in money or the equivalent thereof in securities of the Government of India as the person making the deposit may choose.
- (4) Such notice shall appoint a date, not being sooner than the tenth day after the date of the issue of the notice. on or before which the deposit shall be made.
- 8. (1) If any newspaper in respect of which any security has been ordered to be deposited under section 7 contains any words, signs or visible representations which, in the opinion of the Local Government, are of the nature described in section 4, sub-section (1), the Local Government may, by notice in writing to the publisher of such newspaper, stating or describing such words, signs or visible representations,—
 - (a) where the security has been deposited, declare such security, or any portion thereof, to be forfeited to His Majesty, or
 - (b) where the security has not been deposited, annul the declaration made by the publisher of such newspaper under section 5 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867,

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and may also declare all copies of such newspaper, wherever found in British India, to be forfeited to His Majesty.

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(2) After the expiry of ten days from the date of the issue of a notice under sub-section (1) declaring a security, or any portion thereof, to be forfeited, the declaration made by the publisher of such newspaper under section 5 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, shall be deemed to be annulled.

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9. (1) Where the security given in respect of any news- Deposit of paper, or any portion thereof, is declared forfeited under security. section 8 or section 10, any person making a fresh declaration under section 5 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, as publisher of such newspaper, or any other newspaper which is the same in substance as the said newspaper, shall deposit with the Magistrate before whom the declaration is made security to such an amount, not being less than one thousand or more than ten thousand rupees, as the Magistrate may think fit to require, in money or the equivalent thereof in securities of the Government of India as the person making the deposit may choose.

- (2) Where a portion only of the security given in respect of such newspaper has been declared forfeited under section 8 or section 10, any unforfeited balance still in deposit shall be taken as part of the amount of security required under subsection (1).
- 10. (1) If, after security has been deposited under section 9, the newspaper again contains any words, signs or further security and visible representations which, in the opinion of the Local Gov-newspapers ernment, are of the nature described in section 4, sub-section (1), the Local Government may, by notice in writing to the publisher of such newspaper, stating or describing such words, signs or visible representations, declare-

- (a) the further security so deposited, or any portion thereof, and
- (b) all copies of such newspaper wherever found in British India

to be forfeited to His Majesty.

(2) After the expiry of ten days from the date of the issue of a notice under sub-section (1), the declaration made by the publisher of such newspaper under section 5 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, shall be deemed to be annulled and

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and no further declaration in respect of such newspaper shall be made save with the permission of the Local Government.

Penalty for keeping press or publishing newspaper without making deposit.

11. (1) Whoever keeps in his possession a press which is used for the printing of books or papers without making a deposit under section 3 or section 5, as required by the Local Government or the Magistrate as the case may be, shall on conviction by a Magistrate be liable to the penalty to which he would be liable if he had failed to make the declaration prescribed by section 4 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867.

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(2) Whoever publishes any newspaper without making a deposit under section 7 or section 9, as required by the Local Government or the Magistrate as the case may be, or publishes such newspaper knowing that such security has not been deposited, shall on conviction by a Magistrate be liable to the penalty to which he would be liable if he had failed to make the declaration prescribed by section 5 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867.

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Consequences of failure to deposit security as required.

- 12. (1) Where a deposit is required from the keeper of a printing-press under section 3, such press shall not be used for the printing or publishing of any newspaper, book or other document after the expiry of the time allowed to make the deposit until the deposit has been made, and where a deposit is required from the keeper of a printing-press under section 5, such press shall not be so used until the deposit has been made.
- (2) Where any printing-press is used in contravention of sub-section (1), the Local Government may, by notice in writing to the keeper thereof, declare the press to be forfeited to His Majesty.
- (3) Where a deposit is required from the publisher of a newspaper under section 7 and the deposit is not made within the time allowed, the declaration made by the publisher under section 5 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, xxv of 1867, shall be deemed to be annulled.

Return of deposited security in certain cases.

13. Where any person has deposited any security under this Act and ceases to keep the press in respect of which such security was deposited, or, being a publisher, makes a declaration under section 8 of the Press and Registration of Rooks

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Act, 1867, he may apply to the Magistrate within whose jurisdiction such press is situate for the return of the said security; and thereupon such security shall, upon proof to the satisfaction of the Magistrate and subject to the provisions hereinbefore contained, be returned to such person.

14. Where any printing-press is, or any copies of any Issue of search newspaper, book or other document are, declared forfeited to warrant. His Majesty under section 4, section 6, section 8, section 10 or section 12, the Local Government may direct a Magistrate to

issue a warrant empowering any police-officer, not below the rank of Sub-Inspector, to seize and detain any property ordered to be forfeited and to enter upon and search for such property

in any premises-

(i) where any such property may be or may be reasonably suspected to be, or

(ii) where any copy of such newspaper, book or other document is kept for sale, distribution, publication or public exhibition or is reasonably suspected to be so kept.

Unauthorised news-sheets and newspapers.

15. (1) The Magistrate may, by order in writing and sub- Authorisation ject to such conditions as he may think fit to impose, authorise publish newssheets. any person by name to publish a news-sheet, or to publish news-sheets from time to time.

- (2) A copy of an order under sub-section (1) shall be furnished to the person thereby authorised.
- (3) The Magistrate may at any time revoke an order made by him under sub-section (1).
- 16. (1) Any police-officer, or any other person empowered seize and in this behalf by the Local Government, may seize any un- destroy un-authorised authorised news-sheet or unauthorised newspaper, wherever news-sheets found.

(2) Any Presidency Magistrate, District Magistrate, Subdivisional Magistrate or Magistrate of the first class may by warrant authorise any police-officer not below the rank of Sub-Inspector to enter upon and search any place where any stock

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of unauthorised news-sheets or unauthorised newspapers may be or may be reasonably suspected to be, and such policeofficer may seize any documents found in such place which, in his opinion, are unauthorised news-sheets or unauthorised newspapers.

- (3) All documents seized under sub-section (1) shall be produced as soon as may be before a Presidency Magistrate, District Magistrate, Sub-divisional Magistrate or Magistrate of the first class, and all documents seized under sub-section (2) shall be produced as soon as may be before the Court of the Magistrate who issued the warrant.
- (4) If, in the opinion of such Magistrate or Court, any of such documents are unauthorised news-sheets or unauthorised newspapers, the Magistrate or Court may cause them to be destroyed. If, in the opinion of such Magistrate or Court, any of such documents are not unauthorised news-sheets or unauthorised newspapers, such Magistrate or Court shall dispose of them in the manner provided in sections 523, 524 and 525 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898.

V of 1898.

- 17. (1) Where a Presidency Magistrate, District Magistrate or Sub-divisional Magistrate has reason to believe that an unauthorised news-sheet or unauthorised newspaper is being produced from an undeclared press within the limits of his jurisdiction, he may by warrant authorise any police-officer not below the rank of Sub-Inspector to enter upon and search any place wherein such undeclared press may be or may be reasonably suspected to be, and if, in the opinion of such police-officer, any press found in such place is an undeclared press and is used to produce an unauthorised news-sheet or unauthorised newspaper, he may seize such press and any documents found in the place which in his opinion are unauthorised news-sheets or unauthorised newspapers.
- (2) The police-officer shall make a report of the search to the Court which issued the warrant and shall produce before such Court, as soon as may be, all property seized:

Provided that where any press which has been seized cannot be readily removed, the police-officer may produce before the Court only such parts thereof as he may think fit.

Power to seize and forfeit undeclared presses producing unauthorised news-sheets and newspapers.

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(3) If such Court, after such inquiry as it may deem requisite, is of opinion that a press seized under this section is an undeclared press which is used to produce an unauthorised news-sheet or unauthorised newspaper, it may, by order in writing, declare the press to be forfeited to His Majesty. If, after such inquiry, the Court is not of such opinion, it shall dispose of the press in the manner provided in sections 523, 524 and 525 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898.

(4) The Court shall deal with documents produced before it under this section in the manner provided in sub-section (4)

> of section 16. hair. The street is reducated 18. (1) Whoever makes, sells, distributes, publishes or Penalty for disseminating publicly exhibits or keeps for sale, distribution or publication, unauthorised news-sheets any unauthorised news-sheet or newspaper, shall be punishable and newswith imprisonment which may extend to six months, or with fine, or with both.

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(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898, any offence punishable under subsection (1), and any abetment of any such offence, shall be cognizable.

Special provisions relating to the seizure of certain documents.

19. Where any newspaper, book or other document wherever made appears to the Local Government to contain any certain publications words, signs or visible representations of the nature described forfeited and to issue in section 4, sub-section (1), the Local Government may, by search warrants notification in the local official Gazette, stating the grounds of for same. its opinion, declare every copy of the issue of the newspaper, and every copy of such book or other document to be forfeited to His Majesty, and thereupon any police-officer may seize the same wherever found in British India, and any Magistrate may by warrant authorise any police-officer not below the rank of Sub-Inspector to enter upon and search for the same in any premises where any copy of such issue or any such book or other document may be or may be reasonably suspected to be.

20. The Chief Customs-officer or other officer authorised by Power to detain pack the Local Government in this behalf may detain any package ages contain

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ing certain publications when imported into British India.

brought, whether by land, sea or air, into British India which he suspects to contain any newspapers, books or other documents of the nature described in section 4, sub-section (1), and shall forthwith forward copies of any newspapers, books or other documents found therein to such officer as the Local Government may appoint in this behalf to be disposed of in such manner as the Local Government may direct.

Prohibition of transmission by post of certain documents.

Power to

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detain articles being trans-mitted by

- 21. No unauthorised news-sheet or unauthorised newspaper shall be transmitted by post.
- 22. Any officer in charge of a post-office or authorised by the Post-Master General in this behalf may detain any article other than a letter or parcel in course of transmission by post, which he suspects to contain-
 - (a) any newspaper, book or other document containing words, signs or visible representations of the nature described in section 4, sub-section (1), or
 - (b) any unauthorised news-sheet or unauthorised newspaper,

and shall deliver all such articles to such officer as the Local Government may appoint in this behalf to be disposed of in such manner as the Local Government may direct.

Powers of High Court.

Application to High Court to set aside order of forfeiture.

23. (1) The keeper of a printing-press who has been ordered to deposit security under sub-section (3) of section 3, or the publisher of a newspaper who has been ordered to deposit security under sub-section (3) of section 7, or any person having an interest in any property in respect of which an order of forfeiture has been made under section 4, section 6, section 8, section 10 or section 19 may, within two months from the date of such order, apply to the High Court for the local area in which such order was made, to set aside such order, and the High Court shall decide if the newspaper, book or other document in respect of which the order was made did or did not contain any words, signs or visible representations of the nature described in section 4, sub-section (1).

(2) The

- (2) The keeper of a printing press in respect of which an order of forfeiture has been made under sub-section (2) of section 12 on the ground that it has been used in contravention of sub-section (1) of that section may apply to such High Court to set aside the order on the ground that the press was not so used.
- 24. Every such application shall be heard and determined Hearing by Special Bench. by a Special Bench of the High Court composed of three Judges, or, where the High Court consists of less than three Judges, of all the Judges.
- 25. (1) If it appears to the Special Bench on an applica-Order of Special Bench tion under sub-section (1) of section 23 that the words, signs setting aside forfeiture. or visible representations contained in the newspaper, book or other document in respect of which the order in question was made were not of the nature described in section 4, subsection (I), the Special Bench shall set aside the order.
- (2) If it appears to the Special Bench on an application under sub-section (2) of section 23 that the printing-press was not used in contravention of sub-section (1) of section 12, it shall set aside the order of forfeiture.
- (3) Where there is a difference of opinion among the Judges forming the Special Bench, the decision shall be in accordance with the opinion of the majority (if any) of those Judges.
- (4) Where there is no such majority which concurs in setting aside the order in question, the order shall stand.
- 26. On the hearing of an application under sub-section (1) Evidence to prove nature of section 23 with reference to any newspaper, any copy of or tendency of newspapers. such newspaper published after the commencement of this Act may be given in evidence in aid of the proof of the nature or tendency of the words, signs or visible representations contained in such newspaper, in respect of which the order was made.

27. Every High Court shall, as soon as conveniently may Procedure in be, frame rules to regulate the procedure in the case of such applications, the amount of the costs thereof and the execution of orders passed thereon, and until such rules are framed the practice of such Court in proceedings other than suits and appeals shall apply, so far as may be practicable, to such applications.

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Service of notices.

28. Every notice under this Act shall be sent to a Magistrate, who shall cause it to be served in the manner provided for the service of summonses under the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898:

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Provided that if service in such manner cannot by the exercise of due diligence be effected, the serving officer shall, where the notice is directed to the keeper of a press, affix a copy thereof to some conspicuous part of the place where the press is situate, as described in the keeper's declaration under section 4 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, xxv of 1 and where the notice is directed to the publisher of a newspaper, to some conspicuous part of the premises where the publication of such newspaper is conducted, as given in the publisher's declaration under section 5 of the said Act; and thereupon the notice shall be deemed to have been duly served.

Conduct of searches.

29. Every warrant issued under this Act shall, so far as it relates to a search, be executed in the manner provided for the execution of search warrants under the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898.

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Jurisdiction barred.

30. Every declaration of forfeiture purporting to be made under this Act shall, as against all persons, be conclusive evidence that the forfeiture therein referred to has taken place, and no proceeding purporting to be taken under this Act shall be called in question by any Court, except the High Court on application under section 23, and no civil or criminal proceeding, except as provided by this Act, shall be instituted against any person for anything done or in good faith intended to be done under this Act.

Operation of other laws not barred.

31. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prevent any person from being prosecuted under any other law for any act or omission which constitutes an offence against this Act.

Declarations under Act XXV of 1867 to be made before certain Magistrates.

32. So long as this Act remains in force, all declarations required to be made under section 4, section 5, section 8 and section 8A of the Press and Registration of Books Act. 1867, XXV of 1 shall be made, in a Presidency-town before the Chief Presidency Magistrate, and elsewhere before the District Magistrate.

THE INDIAN FINANCE ACT, 1931.

(Made by the Governor General on the 30th March, 1931.)

An Act to fix the duty on salt manufactured in, or imported by land into, certain parts of British India, to vary certain duties leviable under the Indian Tariff Act, 1894, to fix maximum rates of postage under the Indian Post Office Act, 1898, to vary the excise duty on motor spirit leviable under the Motor Spirit (Duties) Act, 1917, to fix rates of income-tax and super-tax, to vary the excise duty on kerosene leviable under the Indian Finance Act, 1922, further to amend the Indian Paper Currency Act, 1923, and to vary the excise duty on silver leviable under the Silver (Excise Duty) Act, 1930.

THEREAS it is expedient to fix the duty on salt manufactured in, or imported by land into, certain parts of British India, to vary certain duties leviable under the Indian Tariff Act, 1894, to fix maximum rates of postage under the Indian Post Office Act, 1898, to vary the excise duty on motor spirit leviable under the Motor Spirit (Duties) Act, 1917, to fix rates of income-tax and super-tax, to vary the excise duty on kerosene leviable under the Indian Finance Act, 1922, further to amend the Indian Paper Currency Act, 1923, and to vary the excise duty on silver leviable under the Silver (Excise Duty) Act, 1930; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Indian Finance Act, Short title and 1931.

(2) It extends to the whole of British India, including British Baluchistan and the Sonthal Parganas.

2. The provisions of section 7 of the Indian Salt Act, Fixation of self-duty. 1882, shall, in so far as they enable the Governor General in Council to impose by rule made under that section a duty on salt manufactured in, or imported into, any part of British India other than Burma and Aden, be construed as if. for the year beginning on the 1st day of April, 1931, they imposed such duty at the rate of one rupee and four annas per maund of eighty-two and two-sevenths pounds avoirdupois of salt

salt manufactured in, or imported by land into, any such part, and such duty shall, for all the purposes of the said Act, be deemed to have been imposed by rule made under that section.

Amendment of Schedule II to Act VIII of 1894.

¹3. The amendments specified in the First Schedule to this Act shall be made in Schedule II to the Indian Tariff Act, 1894.

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Additional customs duties.

Tariff Act, 1894, and any other Act for the time being in force, VIII of 1894, there shall be levied and collected in every port to which that Act applies additional duties on the importation of articles specified in the first and second columns of the Second Schedule at the rates or obtained by the method shown against them in the third column thereof.

Inland postage rates.

5. For the year beginning on the 1st day of April, 1931, the schedule contained in the Third Schedule to this Act shall be inserted in the Indian Post Office Act, 1898, as the VI of 1898. First Schedule to that Act.

Excise duty on motor spirit.

¹6. In sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Motor Spirit (Duties) Act, 1917, for the words "six annas" the words II of 1917. "eight annas" shall be substituted.

Income-tax and super-tax.

- 7. (1) Income-tax for the year beginning on the 1st day of April, 1931, shall be charged at the rates specified in Part I of the Fourth Schedule.
- (2) The rates of super-tax for the year beginning on the 1st day of April, 1931, shall, for the purposes of section 55 of the Indian Income-tax Act, 1922, be those specified in Part II of XI of 1922 the Fourth Schedule.
- (3) For the purposes of the Fourth Schedule, "total income" means total income as determined, for the purposes of income-tax or super-tax, as the case may be, in accordance with the provisions of the Indian Income-tax Act, 1922.

Excise duty on kerosene.

¹8. In the proviso to section 5 of the Indian Finance Act, 1922, for the words "one anna and six pies" the words "two XII of 1922, annas and three pies" shall be substituted.

Amendment of section 19, Act X of 1923.

9. In sub-section (7) of section 19 of the Indian Paper Currency Act, 1923, for the figures "1931" the figures X of 1923. "1932" shall be substituted.

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¹ This section came into effect on 1st March, 1931, by virtue of a declaration inserted in the Bill under the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1918 (XVI of 1918).

110. In sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Silver (Excise Excise duty on silver. xviii of 1980. Duty) Act, 1930, for the words "four annas" the words "six annas" shall be substituted.

SCHEDULE I.

Amendments to be made in Schedule II to the Indian Tariff Act, 1894.

[See section 3.]

1. For Items Nos. 28 to 33 inclusive the following Items shall be substituted, namely:---

		1	Rs. A.
" 28	ALE, beer, porter, cider and other fermented liquors.	tainers containing 27 oz. or more, per imperial	0 12
		gallon. In bottles containing less than 27 oz. but not less	0 2
		than 20 oz., per bottle. In bottles containing less than 13½ oz. but not less	0 🕏 1
		than 10 oz., per bottle. In bottles containing less than $6\frac{3}{4}$ oz. but not less	0 1/2
		than 5 oz., per bottle. In other containers, per imperial gallon.	1 0
29	DENATURED SPIRIT	Ad valorem	7½ per cent.
30	SPIRITS (other than denatured) spirit)—		
	 Brandy, gin, rum, whisky, and other sorts of spirits not otherwise specified, including wines containing more than 42 per cent. of proof spirit. Liqueurs, cordials, mixtures and other preparations containing spirit (other than drugs and archiving). 	Imperial gallon of the strength of London proof.	30 0
	medicines)— (i) entered in such a manner as to indicate that the strength is not to be tested:	Imperial gallon	40 0
	(ii) not so entered	Imperial gallon of the strength of London proof.	3 0 0
			(3) Drugs

¹ This section came into effect on 1st March, 1931, by virtue of a declaration inserted in the Bill under the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1918 (XVI of 1918).

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30	SPIRITS (other than denatured spirit)—contd. (3) Drugs and medicines con-			ுக Rs.	A.
	taining spirit— (i) entered in such a manner as to indicate that the strength is not to be tested:	Imperial gallon .	•	30	0
	(ii) not so entered		the don	21	14
	(4) Perfumed spirits	proof. Imperial gallon .	•	48	0
	Pronided that— (a) the duty on any article included in this Item shall in no case be less than the duty which would be charged if the article were included in Part V of this Schedule: (b) where the unit of assessment is the imperial gallon of the strength of London proof, the duty shall be increased or reduced in proportion as the strength is greater or less than London proof.				
31	Wines, not containing more than 42 per cent. of proof spirit—				
	(I) champagne and other sparkling wines.	Imperial gallon .	•	10	8
		Imperial gallon .		6	0 ''

2. For Item No. 34 the following shall be substituted, namely:—

١		ſ				Rs.	A.
" 34	SUGAR, excluding confectionery (see No. 124)—						
	(1) Sugar, crystallised or soft 23 Dutch Standard and	Cwt	٠	•,		7	4
	above.						
	(2) Sugar, crystallised or soft inferior to 23 Dutch	Cwt	•	•	•	6	12
	Standard but not inferior						
	. to 8 Dutch Standard.				- 1		
	(3) Sugar, below 8 Dutch	Ad valorem	•	•	•	25 per	cent.
	Standard and sugar candy.					plus rupees	
					- 1	twelve nas per	
	(4) Molasses	Ad valorem	•	•	.	25 per ce	

3. In Item No. 37A, in the Note thereto, for the words "amount to be deducted on account of duties payable on importation to determine the real value in accordance with the provisions

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provisions of clause (a) of the said section shall be Rs. 7 per thousand ", the words " deduction allowed under clause (a) of that section shall be calculated in all cases as if the cigarettes were classified under sub-item (a) " shall be substituted.

- 4. In Item No. 43BB, relating to silver bullion and coin, for the words "Four annas" in the fourth column, the words "Six annas" shall be substituted.
- 5. In Part V, the heading "SPICES" and Item No. 70 shall be omitted.
- 6. In Item No. 105, after the word "FILMS" the words ", not exposed" shall be added.
- 7. After Item No. 124 and under the head "I.—Food, Drink and Tobacco," the following item shall be inserted, namely:—
- "124A The following Spices, namely:—

 Cardamoms, cassia, cinnamon, cloves, nutmegs and pepper."
- 8. After Item No. 134, the following item shall be inserted, namely:—
- "134A [CINEMATOGRAPH FILMS, exposed."
- 9. In Part VI, after Item No. 141, the following heading and Item shall be inserted, namely:—
 - "III .- Miscellaneous and unclassified.

141A . . . Betelnuts."

SCHEDULE II.

SCHEDULE II.

Articles liable to an additional duty of customs, and additional duties leviable thereon.

[See section 4.]

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References to Part and No. of Item in Schedule II to the Indian Tariff Act, 1894.))	Description of articles liable to additional duty.	Rate of additional duty or method of obtaining it.	
PART	II.				
27			FISH, SALTED, wet or dry .	5 per cent. ad valorem.	
. 37	•	•	CIGARS	15 per cent. ad valorem.	
37A	•	•	CIGARETTES	Re. 1 annas 8 per thousand.	
38	•	•	All other sorts of Tobacco manufactured.	Twelve annas per pound.	
40	•	•	Kerosene; also any other mineral oil included in Item No. 40.	9 pies per imperial gallon.	
40A	•	•	Motor spirit	2 annas per imperial gallon.	
41		•	MINERAL OIL-	ganon.	
			 ordinarily used for the batching of jute or other fibre, as specified in sub- item (1) of Item No. 41; 	[*] Rs. 2 annas 8 per ton.	
	es.		(2) not ordinarily used for any other purpose than for lubrication, as speci- fied in sub-item (2) of Item No. 41;	4 pies per gallon.	
			(3) not ordinarily used except as fuel or for some sanitary or hygienic purposes, as specified in sub-item (3) of Item No. 41.	2½ per cent. ad valorem.	
42	•	•	All Arms, and other articles included in Item No. 42.	10 per cent. ad valorem.	
42A	•	•	Motor Cars, motor cycles and other articles included in Item No. 42A.	10 per cent. ad valorem.	

SCHEDULE II—contd.

References to Part and No. of Item in Schedule II to the Indian Tariff Act, 1894.	Description of articles liable to additional duty.	Rate of additional duty or method of obtaining it.	
PART II—contd.			
430	ARTIFICIAL SILK YARN and THREAD.	2½ per cent. ad valorem.	
45A	SILK MIXTURES, all sorts included in Item No. 45A.	7½ per cent. ad valorem.	
460	PORTLAND CEMENT (excluding white portland cement).	Rs. 2 per ton.	
PART IV.			
Nos. 58 to 64 inclusive	All articles for the time being included in Part IV of the Second Schedule.	$2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. ad valorem.	
PART V.	·		
Nos. 65 to 123 inclusive.	All articles for the time being included in Part V of the Second Schedule, excluding "raw hemp" comprised in Item No. 78.	5 per cent. ad valorem.	
PART VI.			
Nos. 124 to 141, inclusive, except Nos. 124A and 134A.	All articles for the time being included in Part VI of the Second Schedule, except—	10 per cent. ad valorem.	
	(1) the following SPICES, namely—		
	Cardamoms, cassia, cinnamon, cloves, nutmegs and pepper (see No. 124A);		
	(2) CINEMATOGRAPH FILMS, exposed (see No. 134A); and		
	(3) BETELNUTS (see No. 141A).		
PART VII.			
156A	COTTON PIECE-GOODS—all sorts included in Item No. 156A.	The figures for the rates of the ad valorem duties shall be deemed to be increased by 5 in each case.	

SCHEDULE III.

Schedule to be inserted in the Indian Post Office Act, 1898.

[See section 5.]

"THE FIRST SCHEDULE.

INLAND POSTAGE RATES.

[See section 7.]

Letters.

For a weight not exceeding two and a half tolas.

For every two and a half tolas, or frac-tion thereof, exceeding two and a half One anna. tolas.

Postcards.

Half an anna. Single One anna. Reply

Book, Pattern and Sample Packets.

For every five tolas or fraction thereof . Half an anna.

Registered Newspapers.

For a weight not exceeding eight tolas. Quarter of an anna.

For a weight exceeding eight tolas and not exceeding twenty tolas. Half an anna.

For every twenty tolas, or fraction there-of, exceeding twenty tolas. Half an anna.

Parcels.

For a weight not exceeding twenty tolas. Two annas. For a weight exceeding twenty tolas and Four annas. not exceeding forty tolas.

For every forty tolas, or fraction there-of, exceeding forty tolas. Four annas."

SCHEDULE IV.

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SCHEDULE IV.

[See section 7.]

PART I.

Rates of Income-tax.

A. In the case of every individual, Hindu undivided family, unregistered firm and other association of individuals not being a registered firm or a company—

Rate.

- (1) When the total income is less than Rs. 2,000.
- (2) When the total income is Rs. 2,000 or upwards, but is less than Rs. 5,000.
- (3) When the total income is Rs. 5,000 or upwards, but is less than Rs. 10,000.
- (4) When the total income is Rs. 10,000 or upwards, but is less than Rs. 15,000.
- (5) When the total income is Rs. 15,000 or upwards, but is less than Rs. 20,000.
- (6) When the total income is Rs. 20,000 or upwards, but is less than Rs. 30,000.
- (7) When the total income is Rs. 30,000 or upwards, but is less than Rs. 40,000.
- (8) When the total income is Rs. 40,000 or upwards, but is less than Rs. 1,00,000.
- (9) When the total income is Rs. 1,00,000 or upwards.
- B. In the case of every company and registered firm, whatever its total income.

Nil.

Six pies in the rupee.

Nine pies in the rupee.

One anna in the rupee.

One anna and four pies in the rupee.

One anna and seven pies in the rupee.

One anna and eleven pies in the rupee.

Two annas and one pie in the rupee.

Two annas and two pies in the rupee.

Two annas and two pies in the rupee.

PART II.

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PART II.

Rates of Super-tax.

In respect of the excess over thirty-thousand rupees of total income—

(1) In the case of every company—

(a) in respect of the first twenty thousand rupees of such excess.

(b) for every rupee of the remainder of such excess.

(2) (a) in the case of every Hindu undivided family—

(i) in respect of the first forty-five thousand rupees of such excess.

(ii) for every rupee of the next twenty-five thousand rupees of such excess.

(b) in the case of every individual, unregistered firm and other association of individuals not being a registered firm or a company—

(i) for every rupee of the first twenty thousand rupees of such excess.

(ii) for every rupee of the next fifty thousand rupees of such excess.

(c) in the case of every individual, Hindu undivided family, unregistered firm and other association of individuals not being a registered firm or a company—

(i) for every rupee of the next fifty thousand rupees of such excess.

(ii) for every rupee of the next fifty thousand rupees of such excess.

(iii) for every rupee of the next fifty thousand rupees of such excess.

(iv) for every rupes of the next fifty thousand rupees of such excess.

(v) for every rupee of the next fifty thousand rupees of such excess.

(vi) for every rupee of the next fifty thousand rupees of such excess.

Rate.

Nil.

One anna in the rupee.

Nil.

One anna and three pies in the rupee.

Nine pies in the rupee.

One anna and three pies in the rupee.

One anna and nine pies in the rupee.

Two annas and three pies in the rupee.

Two annas and nine pies in the rupee.

Three annas and three pies in the rupee.

Three annas and nine pies in the rupee.

Four annas and three pies in the rupee.

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PART II-contd.

Rates of Super-tax—contd.

Rate.

- (vii) for every rupee of the next fifty thousand rupees of such excess.
- (viii) for every rupee of the next fifty thousand rupees of such excess.
 - (ix) for every rupee of the next fifty thousand rupees of such excess.
 - (x) for every rupee of the remainder of such excess.
- Four annas and nine pies in the rupee.
- Five annas and three pies in the rupee.
- Five annas and nine piece in the rupee.
- Six annas and three pies in the rupee.



THE INDIAN FINANCE (SUPPLEMENTARY AND EXTENDING) ACT, 1931.

(Made by the Governor General on the 28th November, 1931.)

An Act to supplement the Indian Finance Act, 1931, and to extend the operation of its temporary provisions.

HEREAS it is expedient to supplement the Indian Finance Act, 1931, and to extend the operation of its temporary provisions to the financial year beginning on the 1st April, 1932; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

- 1. This Act may be called the Indian Finance (Supple- short title. mentary and Extending) Act, 1931.
- 2. The operation of section 2 of the Indian Finance Act, Extension to 1931, fixing the rate of salt duty for the year beginning on financial year the 1st April, 1931, of section 5 of the said Act and the Third ton of the opera-Schedule thereto as amended by section 6 of this Act, fixing provisions of the Indian inland postage rates for the said year, and of section 7 of Finance Act, the said Act and the Fourth Schedule thereto as amended by sections 7, 8 and 9 of this Act, fixing rates of income-tax and super-tax for the said year, is hereby extended to the 31st day of March, 1933.

1 3. (1) The amendments specified in Part I of Schedule I Amendment to this Act shall be made in Schedule II to the Indian Tariff Schedule to the Indian Tariff Act, 1894.

- (2) The amendment specified in Part II of Schedule I to Finance Act, this Act shall be made in Schedule II to the Indian Finance Act. 1931.
- ¹ 4. Where any goods chargeable with a duty of customs Additional under Part II, Part IV, Part V, Part VI or Part VII of duties. Schedule II to the Indian Tariff Act, 1894, as amended by

section

¹ This section came into effect on 30th September, 1931, by virtue of a declaration inserted in the Bill under the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1931 (XVI of 1931).

section 3, or under any of the said Parts read with any other enactment or with any notification of the Governor General in Council for the time being in force, are assessed to duty, there shall be levied and collected as an addition to and in the same manner as the total amount so chargeable, a sum equal to one quarter of such total amount:

Provided that salt chargeable with duty under Item No. 35 of the said Part II shall not be liable to two such additions of duty:

Provided further that such addition of duty shall not be levied and collected on-

- (a) raw cotton, comprised in Item No. 41A,
- (b) dyes and colours, comprised in Item No. 58A, or
- (c) machinery, comprised in Items Nos. 59A, 59B, 59C and 59D,

of the said Schedule as amended by section 3.

Additional excise and other duties.

¹ 5. Where any salt, motor spirit, kerosene or silver chargeable with duty under the Indian Salt Act, 1882, or under XII of 1882, the Motor Spirit (Duties) Act, 1917, or under the Indian II of 1917. Finance Act, 1922, or under the Silver (Excise Duty) Act, XII of 1922. 1930, or under any of the said Acts read with any other enact- XVIII of ment or with any notification of the Governor General in Council for the time being in force, is assessed to duty, there shall be levied and collected, as an addition to and in the same manner as the total amount so chargeable, a sum equal to one quarter of such total amount.

Increase of certain inland postage rates.

- 6. In section 5 of the Indian Finance Act, 1931, the following proviso shall be added, namely:—
 - "Provided that from a date to be appointed in this behalf by the Governor General in Council, by notification in the Gazette of India, each rate specified in the said Schedule in respect of letters and single postcards shall be increased by one quarter of an anna and the rate specified in respect of reply postcards shall be increased by half an anna."

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¹ This section came into effect on 30th September, 1931, by virtue of a declaration inserted in the Bill under the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1931 (XVI of 1931).

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7. (1) In Part I of Schedule IV to the Indian Finance Lowering of limits of total income Act, 1931, for the item—

liable to income-tax.

"When the total income is less than Rs. 2,000 Nil." the following shall be substituted, namely:—

"When the total income is Rs. 1,000 or upwards but is less than Rs. 2,000 .

Four pies in the rupee.":

Provided that for the year beginning on the 1st day of April, 1931, the rate chargeable on any such total income shall be two pies in the rupee only.

(2) For the purpose of assessing and collecting the tax imposed by the proviso to sub-section (1),—

XI of 1922.

- (a) the Indian Income-tax Act, 1922, shall be deemed to be subject to the adaptations set out in Part I of Schedule II to this Act, and
- (b) the Central Board of Revenue may make rules—

XI of 1922.

- (i) making such further adaptations in the Indian Income-tax Act, 1922, as may seem to it to be necessary to secure that the tax shall be equitably levied, and
- (ii) regulating the procedure of income-tax authorities in securing the assessment and collection of the tax and the granting of refunds arising therefrom.
- 8. (1) In respect of the year beginning on the 1st day of Additional April, 1931, each rate of income-tax and super-tax specified in and super-tax for the cur-Schedule IV to the Indian Finance Act, 1931, excluding the rent financial rate imposed by section 7, shall be increased by one eighth of its amount.

(2) For the purpose of assessing and collecting the additional tax imposed by sub-section (I),—

XI of 1922.

- (a) the Indian Income-tax Act, 1922, shall be deemed to be subject to the adaptations set out in Part II of Schedule II to this Act, and
- (b) the Central Board of Revenue may make rules—
 - (i) making such further adaptations in the Indian Income-tax Act, 1922, as may seem to it to be necessary to secure that the additional tax shall be equitably levied, and

(ii) regulating

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(ii) regulating the procedure of income-tax authorities in securing the assessment and collection of the tax and the granting of refunds arising therefrom.

Additional income-tax and super-tax for the next financial year.

9. In respect of the year beginning on the 1st day of April, 1932, each rate of income-tax and super-tax specified in Schedule IV to the Indian Finance Act, 1931, excluding the rate imposed by section 7, shall be increased by one fourth of its amount.

Amendment of section 19, Act X of 1923. 10. In sub-section (7) of section 19 of the Indian Paper Currency Act, 1923, for the figures "1932" the figures X of 1923. "1933" shall be substituted.

SCHEDULE I.

(Sec section 3.)

PART I.

Amendments to be made in Schedule II of the Indian Tariff Act, 1894.

- 1. Item No. 7 shall be deleted.
- 2. In Part I, the heading "DYES AND COLOURS" and Item No. 14C shall be omitted.
- 3. In Part I, the heading "MACHINERY", and Items Nos. 18A, 18B, 18C and 18D shall be omitted.
- 4. In Item No. 27A, for the figures "1 4" in the last column the words "One rupee" shall be substituted.
 - 5. In Item No. 34,—
 - (a) in sub-item (1), for the figures "23" the figure "8" shall be substituted;
 - (b) sub-item (2) shall be omitted; and
 - (c) sub-items (3) and (4) shall be re-numbered as subitems (2) and (3).
 - 6. After

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6. After Item No. 41, and under the general head "II.—Raw Materials and produce and articles mainly unmanufactured", the following heading and item shall be inserted, namely:—

"TEXTILE MATERIALS.

41A COTTON, raw . . Pound . . . Six pies."

7. In Part II, under the general head "III.—Articles wholly or mainly manufactured", the following heading and item shall be inserted, namely:—

"APPAREL.

- 41B BOOTS AND SHOES Advalorem . 20 per cent. or 4 annas per pair, whichever is higher."
- 8. In Item No. 43C, for the figures " $7\frac{1}{2}$ " in the last column, the figures " $12\frac{1}{2}$ " shall be substituted.
- 9. In Item No. 45A, after the word "silk", wherever it occurs, the words "or artificial silk" shall be inserted.
- 9A. In Item No. 46D, for the figure "5", the figure "8" shall be substituted.
- 10. In Part IV, under the general head "III.—Articles wholly or mainly manufactured", the following heading and item shall be inserted, namely:—

"DYES AND COLOURS.

- 58A Dyes derived from coal-tar, and coal-tar derivatives, used in any dyeing process."
- 11. After Item No. 59, the following heading and items shall be inserted, namely:—

"MACHINERY.

- Machinery, namely, such of the following articles as are not otherwise specified:—
 - (1) prime-movers, boilers, locomotive engines and tenders for the same, portable engines (including power-driven road rollers, fire engines and tractors), and other machines in which the prime-mover is not separable from the operative parts;
 - (2) machines

SCHEDULE I—contd.

PART I—contd.

- (2) machines and sets of machines to be worked by electric, steam, water, fire or other power, not being manual or animal labour, or which before being brought into use require to be fixed with reference to other moving
- (3) apparatus and appliances, not to be operated by manual or animal labour, which are designed for use in an industrial system as parts indispensable for its operation and have been given for that purpose some special shape or quality which would not be essential for their use for any other purpose;
- (4) control gear, self-acting or otherwise, and transmission-gear designed for use with any machinery above speci-fied, including belting of all materials (other than cotton, hair and canvas ply) and driving chains, but excluding driving ropes not made of cotton;
- (5) bare hard-drawn electrolytic copper wires and cables and other electrical wires and cables, insulated or not and poles, troughs, conduits and insulators designed as parts of a transmission system, and the fittings thereof.

 Note.—The term 'industrial system' used in sub-clause (3) means an installation designed to be employed directly in the performance of any process or series of processes necessary for the manufacture, production or extraction of any commodity. extraction of any commodity.

The following Textile Machinery and Apparatus by whatever power operated, namely, healds, heald cords and heald knitting needles; reeds and shuttles; warp and weft preparation machinery and looms; bobbins and pirns; dobbies; Jacquard machines; Jacquard harness linen cards; Jacquard cards; punching plates for Jacquard cards; warping mills; multiples box sleys; solid border sleys; tape sleys; swivel sleys; tape looms; wool carding machines; wool spinning machines; hosiery machinery; coir mat shearing machines; coir fibre willowing machinery; coir mat shearing machines; coir fibre willowing machines; heald knitting machines; dobby cards; lattices and lags for dobbies; wooden winders; silk looms; silk throwing and recling machines; wooden winders; sink dooms; sake throwing and recling machines; cotton yarn reeling machines; sizing machines; doubling machines; silk twisting machines; cone winding machines; piano card cutting machines; harness building frames; card lacing frames; drawing and denting hooks; sewing thread balls making machines; cumbli finishing machinery; hank boilers; cotton carding and spinning machines; mail core lingues combon heards and combon board frames: mail eyes, lingoes, comber boards and comber board frames; take-up motions; temples and pickers; picking bands; picking sticks; printing machines; roller cloth; clearer cloth; sizing fiannel; and roller skins.

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Printing and Lithographic Material, namely, presses, lithographic plates, composing sticks, chases, imposing tables, lithographic stones, stereo-blocks, wood blocks, half-tone blocks, electrotype blocks, process blocks and highly polished copper or zinc sheets specially prepared for making process blocks, roller moulds, roller frames and stocks, roller composition, lithographic nap rollers, standing screw and hot presses, perforating machines, gold blocking presses, galley presses, proof presses, arming presses, copper plate printing presses, rolling presses, ruling machines, ruling pen making machines, lead cutters, rule cutters, slug cutters, type casting machines, type setting and casting machines, paper in rolls with side perforations to be used after further perforation for type-casting, rule bending machines, rule mitreing machines, bronzing

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ing machines, stereotyping apparatus, paper folding machines, paging machines and clarified liquid glue but excluding ink and paper.

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COMPONENT PARTS OF MACHINERY, as defined in Nos. 59A, 59B and 59C, namely, such parts only as are essential for the working of the machine or apparatus and have been given for that purpose some special shape or quality which would not be essential for their use for any other purpose:

Provided that articles which do not satisfy this condition shall also be deemed to be component parts of the machine to which they belong if they are essential to its operation and are imported with it in such quantities as may appear to the Collector of Customs to be reasonable."

12. In Item No. 85,-

- (a) the words "boots and shoes" shall be omitted;
- (b) after the words "silk mixtures" the words "or of artificial silk or artificial silk mixtures, and boots and shoes" shall be added.
- 13. In Item No. 100, after the word "silk", wherever it occurs, except in the seventh sub-item, the words "or artificial silk" shall be inserted.
- 14. In Item No. 100A, after the word "silk", wherever it occurs, the words "or artificial silk" shall be inserted.
- 15. After Item No. 126, the following heading and item shall be inserted, namely:—

"CHEMICAL DRUGS AND MEDICINES.

127 CAMPHOR."

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16. After Item No. 128, the following item shall be inserted, namely:—

" 128A ELECTRIC BULBS."

17. In Item No. 133, after the word "silk", wherever it occurs, the words "or artificial silk" shall be inserted.

PART II.

SCHEDULE I-concld.

PART II.

Amendment to be made in Schedule II to the Indian Finance Act, 1931.

In the entry relating to "Part IV, Nos. 58 to 64 inclusive", for the words in the second column the following shall be substituted, namely:—

- "All articles for the time being included in Part IV of the Second Schedule, except—
 - (1) Dyes and Colours comprised in Item No. 58A, and
 - (2) Machinery, comprised in Items Nos. 59A, 59B, 59C and 59D."

SCHEDULE II.

Adaptations of the Indian Income-tax Act, 1922.

PART I.

(See section 7.)

- Adaptations for the assessment and collection of income-tax in the current financial year on total incomes of Rs. 1,000 and upward and less than Rs. 2,000.
- 1. For the purposes of the proviso to sub-section (2) of section 18 of the Indian Income-tax Act, 1922, any person responsible for paying any income less than Rs. 2,000 chargeable under the head "Salaries" shall be deemed to have failed to deduct income-tax at the time of making all payments made before the commencement of this Act, and such person may make the adjustments permitted by that proviso.
- 2. Notwithstanding that the Income-tax Officer has assessed the total income of an assessee under section 23 of the Indian Income-tax Act, 1922, and has found that nothing is payable thereon, he may proceed to determine the sum payable by such assessee by virtue of section 7 of this Act, and such sum shall, for the purposes of the Indian Incometax Act, 1922, be deemed to be a sum determined under section 23 of that Act.

SCHEDULE II—contd.

PART II.

(See section 8.)

Adaptations for the assessment and collection of additional income-tax and super-tax in the current financial year.

- 1. For the purposes of the proviso to sub-section (2) of section 18 of the Indian Income-tax Act, 1922, any person responsible for paying any income chargeable under the head "Salaries" shall be deemed to have made a deficient deduction in respect of the additional income-tax imposed by section 8 of this Act at the time of making all payments made before the commencement of this Act, and such person may make the adjustments permitted by that proviso.
- 2. Notwithstanding that the Income-tax Officer has assessed the total income of an assessee and has determined the sum payable thereon under section 23 of the Indian Incometax Act, 1922, he may proceed to determine the further sum payable by such assessee by virtue of section 8 of this Act, and such further sum shall, for the purposes of the Indian Income-tax Act, 1922, be deemed to be a sum determined under section 23 of that Act.

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